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In re Application of:)

House et al)

Serial No.: 08/689,518)

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For: **METHOD OF SEALING A
MANHOLE RISER AND A CATCH
BASIN AND APPARATUS FOR SAME**)

Group Art Unit: 1314

Examiner: J. Davis

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This Statement is filed after the mailing of a first office action but before the mailing of a final office action or Notice of Allowance in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c). A check in the amount of \$230.00 as required by 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.

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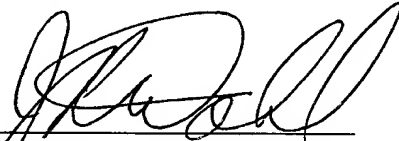
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Applicants hereby fulfill their duty of disclosure. It is believed that the instant application includes claims which are patentably distinguishable from the art cited above and consideration and allowance of the claims is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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